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only by the intenseness of its zeal, and kept vigorous only by the stringent, yet beneficent and paternal, direction and restraint of its discipline. It has grown, because it had and still has a work to accomplish, which at the time of its origin no other church had begun to do, and which now no other body of Christian believers is accomplishing so ably and successfully.

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22. — 1. *The Missionary in Many Lands. A Series of Interesting Sketches of Missionary Life.* By ERWIN HOUSE, A. M. With Illustrations. New York: Carlton and Porter. 1860. 16mo. pp. 393.

2. *Life among the Chinese: with Characteristic Sketches and Incidents of Missionary Operations and Prospects in China.* By Rev. R. S. MACLAY, M. A., Thirteen Years Missionary to China from the Methodist Episcopal Church. New York: Carlton and Porter. 1861. 16mo. pp. 400.

THE first of these volumes consists of a series of narratives selected from the most romantic and heroic portions of missionary history, designed and admirably adapted to create zeal in the cause, and to enlist Christian charity in the enterprise, of evangelization.

Mr. Maclay's work consists in part of a carefully written, though rapid, sketch of China, past and present, and in part of the history of the mission to which the author was attached. Though less elaborate than some of the publications referred to in an earlier part of this number, it is still a worthy instance of the contributions of the missionary enterprise to the advancement and diffusion of knowledge; while it bears emphatic testimony to the adaptation of Methodism to aggression upon Pagan territory, no less than upon unbelief and irreligion in Christian lands.

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23. — *Tracts for Priests and People.* By Various Writers. Boston: Walker, Wise, & Co. 1862. 12mo. pp. 372.

THIS book is designed to represent the Broad-Church view of the ground covered by the "Essays and Reviews," which have constituted so strongly marked an epoch in the history of the Church and of opinions. These Tracts have the salient excellences and faults of the school to which they owe their origin. They are broad and generous in their expressions of sympathy, tolerant of dissent, comprehensive in fellowship, liberal in their tone of thought, reverent without cant, bold, but